

# LEADERSHIP

GREATER SYRACUSE



Where Personal Development  
and Professional Connections  
Serve the Greater Good

# THE LGS MISSION

Founded in 1990 as a partnership between the City of Syracuse, Onondaga County, Onondaga Community College and Centerstate CEO, Leadership Greater Syracuse (LGS) today is an independent nonprofit organization. **Its mission is to inspire current and future leaders to make a difference in the community where we live and work.**

## THE LGS PROGRAM

The January through November program consists of a two-day opening retreat followed by 10 monthly, full-day classes. Class day themes include education, diversity, envisioning the future, economic development and government.

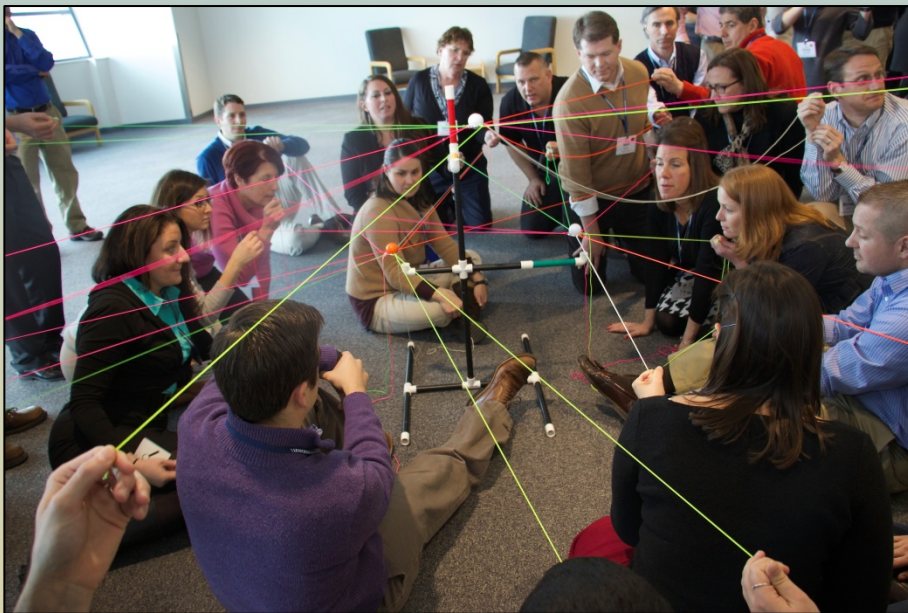
**Our model immerses participants in the community issues of today and provides them with the leadership skills to effect change.**

Each class curriculum is developed by the assigned "Design Team," 10-12 class members who pick the day's location, speakers, activities and discussion topics.



# LGS PARTICIPANTS:

- ▶ Make and nurture connections with hundreds of Central New Yorkers.
- ▶ Learn from and get inspired by community leaders.
- ▶ Acquire life-long collaboration, decision-making and communications skills.
- ▶ Recognize your own leadership style and practice working with people of different leadership styles.
- ▶ Experience new ways of thinking and doing.
- ▶ Join 1,200 other graduates with the know-how to move our community and workplaces forward.

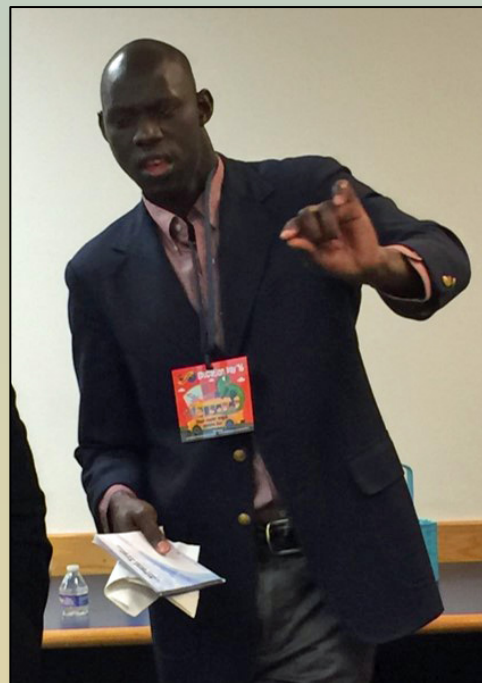


*All class days are interactive and provide participants with the opportunity to meet community leaders.*



# EMPLOYER BENEFITS:

- ▶ Complements your company's internal leadership development through a unique external employee experience.
- ▶ Provides access to a wide variety of new business contacts.
- ▶ Retain talent – employees want to work for an organization that demonstrates corporate social responsibility.
- ▶ Enhances your employee's skill set of:
  - Communicating effectively
  - Collaborative decision-making
  - Understanding leadership styles
  - Team building
  - Critical and creative thinking
  - Ethics and judgment
  - Emotional intelligence



# APPLYING TO LGS

If you believe in our community and want to do your part to make it even better, you are qualified to be in LGS. Final candidates are selected through an inclusive process that creates a class reflective of the entire CNY community. This includes:

- ▶ Gender
- ▶ Age
- ▶ Race/Ethnicity
- ▶ Profession/Business Sector
- ▶ Community Involvement



## TIME COMMITMENT

- Two-day opening retreat
- 10 full-day classes (once a month)
- Design team meeting schedule (up to participants)



*Onondaga County Legislature Chair Ryan McMahon (left) speaks with Syracuse Mayor Stephanie Miner before a class presentation.*

# APPLICATION DEADLINE

The application deadline for the LGS Class of 2017 is **September 9, 2016**. Every applicant is interviewed. Selection and notification of approximately 50 people is made in November. The application can be downloaded from [www.leadsyr.org](http://www.leadsyr.org).

## TUITION

The \$3,750 tuition includes the overnight retreat and 10 class days (materials, lunch). A limited number of partial scholarships are available.





# MAKING A DIFFERENCE TODAY

LGS graduates are successful both within their profession and in the community. Hundreds of LGS alumni serve in elected office and on nonprofit board of directors and are making other professional and personal commitments to help ensure CNY remains a great place to live and work. **A recent survey showed that more than 700 organizations have benefitted from the talents of an LGS grad.**



**Julie Cecile,  
Family Court  
Judge**



**Jeff Marier,  
Baldwinsville  
School Board**



**Michael Backus,  
Oswego County  
Clerk**



**Fanny Villarreal,  
YWCA  
Executive Director**



**Bob Tackman,  
East Syracuse  
Mayor**



**Larry Williams, Director -  
Syracuse Comprehensive  
Gang Model**



**Kimberly Boynton,  
CEO - Crouse  
Hospital**



**Janice Grieshaber-  
Geddes, Created  
Jenna's Law**



**Ginny O'Neil, Chair  
Onondaga County  
Library Board**



*LGS Class of 2016 at their Opening Retreat.*

Read 2016 Class Day blogs and learn more at: [www.leadstyr.org](http://www.leadstyr.org)



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